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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON

14 August 1961

Dear Allen:

The Defense Department has reviewed the Covert Action Annex, dated 10 July 1961, of the Berlin Contingency Plan, and we concur in the use of the Annex for general planning purposes.

As you know, several profitable discussions on the Annex have been held by members of our respective staffs, with particular emphasis on paragraph 17c dealing with paramilitary operations. It was determined in practical specifics what the current Defense requirements are for the support envisioned in paragraph 17c.

I appreciate that there are considerations of undertaking this work in the West instead of within the Bloc at present, as well as the lead time involved. Also, I understand that our staffs are looking into the question of stockpiling supplies as a separate action.

We should note that existing Defense requirements on the Central Intelligence Agency for paramilitary support may be subject to further refinement as contingency planning progresses in regards to the Berlin crisis.

Sincerely,

Ros Gifford
Deputy

Honorable Allen W. Dulles

Director, Central Intelligence Agency

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